



LEVIN & HOROWHENUA

VETS...your animal health professionals

EXPORTING YOUR PET to AUSTRALIA

Levin & Horowhenua Vets is approved by MPI to certify cats and dogs being exported to Australia.

There are requirements to be met prior to bringing your pet to LHVC to be certified for transport. Here is a list of these requirements:

What breed is your pet?

- *For dogs:* the following dog breeds are not permitted to enter Australia: Amercian Pit Bull, Pit Bull Terrier type, Japanese Tolsa, Fila Brasileiro, Dogo Argentino, Presa Canario. If in doubt, your vet at LHVC can send photos of the dog to Australian Customs for acceptability before you export.
- *For cats:* the animal must not be derived from crossbreeding a domestic cat with a Serval cat or Savannah cat, or has been proven to be 5th generation or more away from any purebred non-domestic ancestor.

How old is your pet?

- The animal must be older than 8 weeks old at time of export certification.

Has your pet been microchipped?

- A microchip must be inserted before export certification, not on day of certification.

Is your pet pregnant?

- Pets must be no more than 40 days pregnant at time of departure.

Has your pet resided in New Zealand since birth?

- You must be able to provide proof of residency for your pet. This could be council registration records, completed vaccination booklets or veterinary records.
- If your pet has been previously imported from another country, the biosecurity clearance documents from any prior international travels must be provided at export examination.
- If your pet has resided in countries other than Australia or New Zealand, please contact your approved vets at Levin & Horowhenua Vets to discuss further requirements. Blood tests or parasite treatments may be required prior to export.

□ Have you contacted a registered pet exporter?

- A list of registered pet exporters can be found on:
www.biosecurity.govt.nz/exports/animals/registered-pet-exporters.htm
- It is recommended to use a registered pet exporter to help arrange flights, crates and other requirements.

□ What date is the travel arranged for?

- As long as all of the requirements are fulfilled your pet can be booked in for export examination with an approved vet at LHVC within FIVE (5) days of departure.

□ Travel details

- Please bring the flight details (date and flight number) for your pet's flight from New Zealand to Australia, and the address in Australia your pet is going to, for the export examination.

□ Who will be bringing your pet in for export examination?

- If you, the owner, cannot be present at the export examination and the exporter will be bringing your pet into the clinic for this, an Owner Statutory Declaration must be completed prior and signed by a Justice of the Peace. This must be brought to the export examination.

For more information, please refer to the MPI website checklist:

<https://mpi.govt.nz/exporting/animals/pets/cats-and-dogs-to-australia/>

- ✓ Download the Overseas Market Access Requirements (OMAR) for cats and dogs to Australia.
- ✓ Use a registered pet exporter (recommended).
- ✓ Get a suitable crate and other provisions for travel.
- ✓ Get an export certificate.
- ✓ Do you need an owner's statutory declaration?
- ✓ Be familiar with the official assurance programme.

We are happy to help you arrange a safe and pleasant trip to Australia for your pet.

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